#### HOLY COMMUNION First Sunday in Lent

#### INTRODUCTION TO THE DAY

March 1, 2020

Today's gospel tells of Jesus' temptation in the desert. His forty-day fast becomes the basis of our Lenten pilgrimage. In the early church Lent was a time of intense preparation for those to be baptized at the Easter Vigil. This catechetical focus on the meaning of faith is at the heart of our Lenten journey to the baptismal waters of Easter. Hungry for God's mercy, we receive the bread of life to nourish us for the days ahead.

#### SILENT PRAYER

**PRELUDE:** A Mighty Fortress Is Our God

#### ANNOUNCEMENTS

#### **GATHERING (ENTRANCE RITE)**

#### Stand

HYMN: A Mighty Fortress Is Our God

#### **CONFESSION AND FORGIVENESS (ABSOLUTION)**

All may make the sign of the cross, the sign that is marked at baptism.

- ▶ In the name of the Father, and of the + Son, and of the Holy Spirit.
- **C** Amen.
- Almighty God, to whom all hearts are open, all desires known, and from whom no secrets are hid: cleanse the thoughts of our hearts by the inspiration of your Holy Spirit, that we may perfectly love you and worthily magnify your holy name, through Jesus Christ our Lord.
- **C** Amen.

#### 8:00 am

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**P** Let us confess our sin in the presence of God and of one another.

# Kneel/Stand

■ Most merciful God,

we confess that we are captive to sin and cannot free ourselves.
We have sinned against you in thought, word, and deed, by what we have done and by what we have left undone.
We have not loved you with our whole heart; we have not loved our neighbors as ourselves.
For the sake of your Son, Jesus Christ, have mercy on us.
Forgive us, renew us, and lead us, so that we may delight in your will and walk in your ways, to the glory of your holy name. Amen.

 In the mercy of almighty God, Jesus Christ was given to die for us, and for his sake God forgives us all our sins. As a called and ordained minister of the church of Christ, and by his authority, I therefore declare to you the entire forgiveness of all your sins, in the name of the Father, and of the + Son, and of the Holy Spirit.

# **C** Amen.

# Stand

# GREETING

- ▶ The grace of our Lord Jesus Christ, the love of God, and the communion of the Holy Spirit be with you all.
- **G** And also with you.

# KYRIE

- A In peace, let us pray to the Lord.
- **C** Lord, have mercy.
- A For the peace from above, and for our salvation, let us pray to the Lord.
- **C** Lord, have mercy.
- A For the peace of the whole world, for the well-being of the Church of God, and for the unity of all, let us pray to the Lord.
- **C** Lord, have mercy.
- A For this holy house, and for all who offer here their worship and praise, let us pray to the Lord.
- **G** Lord, have mercy.
- A Help, save, comfort, and defend us, gracious Lord.

**C** Amen

# **PRAYER OF THE DAY**

**P** Let us pray.

Lord God, you led your ancient people through the wilderness and brought them to the promised land. Guide now the people of your Church, that, following our Savior, we may walk through the wilderness of this world toward the glory of the world to come; through your Son, Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

**C** Amen.

Sit

#### LITURGY OF THE WORD

**FIRST READING** Genesis 2:15-17; 3:1-7 Human beings were formed with great care, to be in relationship with the creator, creation, and one another. The serpent's promise to the first couple that their eyes would be opened led, ironically, to the discovery only that they were naked.

#### **A** reading from Genesis.

<sup>15</sup>The LORD God took the man and put him in the garden of Eden to till it and keep it. <sup>16</sup>And the LORD God commanded the man, "You may freely eat of every tree of the garden; <sup>17</sup>but of the tree of the knowledge of good and evil you shall not eat, for in the day that you eat of it you shall die."

<sup>3:1</sup>Now the serpent was more crafty than any other wild animal that the LORD God had made. He said to the woman, "Did God say, 'You shall not eat from any tree in the garden'?" <sup>2</sup>The woman said to the serpent, "We may eat of the fruit of the trees in the garden; <sup>3</sup>but God said, 'You shall not eat of the fruit of the tree that is in the middle of the garden, nor shall you touch it, or you shall die.'" <sup>4</sup>But the serpent said to the woman, "You will not die; <sup>5</sup>for God knows that when you eat of it your eyes will be opened, and you will be like God, knowing good and evil." <sup>6</sup>So when the woman saw that the tree was good for food, and that it was a delight to the eyes, and that the tree was to be desired to make one wise, she took of its fruit and ate; and she also gave some to her husband, who was with her, and he ate. <sup>7</sup>Then the eyes of both were opened, and they knew that they were naked; and they sewed fig leaves together and made loincloths for themselves.

- **A** The word of the Lord.
- **C** Thanks be to God.

# SECOND READING

Romans 5:12-19

Through Adam's disobedience, humanity came under bondage to sin and death, from which we cannot free ourselves. In Christ's obedient death, God graciously showers on us the free gift of liberation and life.

**A** reading from Romans.

<sup>12</sup>Just as sin came into the world through one man, and death came through sin, and so death spread to all because all have sinned—<sup>13</sup>sin was indeed in the world before the law, but sin is not reckoned when there is no law. <sup>14</sup>Yet death exercised dominion from Adam to Moses, even over those whose sins were not like the transgression of Adam, who is a type of the one who was to come.

<sup>15</sup>But the free gift is not like the trespass. For if the many died through

the one man's trespass, much more surely have the grace of God and the free gift in the grace of the one man, Jesus Christ, abounded for the many. <sup>16</sup>And the free gift is not like the effect of the one man's sin. For the judgment following one trespass brought condemnation, but the free gift following many trespasses brings justification. <sup>17</sup>If, because of the one man's trespass, death exercised dominion through that one, much more surely will those who receive the abundance of grace and the free gift of righteousness exercise dominion in life through the one man, Jesus Christ.

<sup>18</sup>Therefore just as one man's trespass led to condemnation for all, so one man's act of righteousness leads to justification and life for all. <sup>19</sup>For just as by the one man's disobedience the many were made sinners, so by the one man's obedience the many will be made righteous.

**A** The word of the Lord.

**C** Thanks be to God.

## Stand

# **GOSPEL ACCLAMATION**

**G** Return to the Lord, your God, for he is gracious and merciful, slow to anger, and abounding in steadfast love.

# GOSPEL

Matthew 4:1-11

Jesus experiences anew the temptations that Israel faced in the wilderness. As the Son of God, he endures the testing of the evil one.

**P** The holy gospel according to Matthew.

# G Glory to you, O Lord.

<sup>1</sup>Jesus was led up by the Spirit into the wilderness to be tempted by the devil. <sup>2</sup>He fasted forty days and forty nights, and afterwards he was famished. <sup>3</sup>The tempter came and said to him, "If you are the Son of God, command these stones to become loaves of bread." <sup>4</sup>But he answered, "It is written,

'One does not live by bread alone,

but by every word that comes from the mouth of God.'"

<sup>5</sup>Then the devil took him to the holy city and placed him on the pinnacle of the temple, <sup>6</sup>saying to him, "If you are the Son of God, throw yourself down; for it is written,

'He will command his angels concerning you,'

and 'On their hands they will bear you up,

so that you will not dash your foot against a stone.""

<sup>7</sup>Jesus said to him, "Again it is written, 'Do not put the Lord your God to the test.'"

<sup>8</sup>Again, the devil took him to a very high mountain and showed him all the kingdoms of the world and their splendor; <sup>9</sup>and he said to him, "All these I will give you, if you will fall down and worship me." <sup>10</sup>Jesus said to him, "Away with you, Satan! for it is written,

'Worship the Lord your God,

and serve only him.""

<sup>11</sup>Then the devil left him, and suddenly angels came and waited on him.

**₽** The gospel of the Lord.

**C** Praise to you, O Christ.

# <mark>Sit</mark> SERMON

Pastor Weleck

# Stand

The Nicene Creed or the Apostles' Creed may be spoken. The Nicene Creed is appropriate during Advent, Christmas, Easter, and on festival days; the Apostles' Creed during Lent and at other times.

# APOSTLES' CREED

- **P** With the whole church, let us confess our faith.
- **G** I believe in God, the Father almighty, creator of heaven and earth.

I believe in Jesus Christ, God's only Son, our Lord, who was conceived by the Holy Spirit, born of the virgin Mary, suffered under Pontius Pilate, was crucified, died, and was buried; he descended into hell. On the third day he rose again; he ascended into heaven, he is seated at the right hand of the Father, and he will come to judge the living and the dead. I believe in the Holy Spirit, the holy catholic church, the communion of saints, the forgiveness of sins, the resurrection of the body, and the life everlasting. Amen.

# PRAYERS OF INTERCESSION

A With the whole people of God in Christ Jesus, let us pray for the church, those in need, and all of God's creation.

- ▲ Lord Jesus Christ, tempted by the devil but led by the Spirit, you took refuge in obedience and prevailed. Help us, when so tempted, to seek refuge in what is written, lest like Adam we trust our own flesh and fail. Lord, in your mercy,
- C hear our prayer.
- A We pray for the church, for its pastors and bishops, for the newly baptized, for all the faithful, for this congregation here gathered, and for our growth in grace. Lord, in your mercy,

## **G** hear our prayer.

▲ We pray for all nations, for all rulers, legislators, and judges, for an increase of justice in our lands, and for all who work for peace among nations and among peoples. Lord, in your mercy,

## **C** hear our prayer.

▲ We pray for all in any need, for the hungry and the homeless, for victims of war and injustice, for prisoners, for all who suffer in mind, body, or spirit, for the sick and infirm, for all with incurable illness, and for all who this day will die. We pray especially for those we name in the silence of our hearts... Lord, in your mercy,

## **G** hear our prayer.

A We pray for the members of our armed forces wherever they serve, and especially when they serve in harm's way, that they might

speedily complete their mission and be safely reunited with their loved ones. Lord, in your mercy,

- **G** hear our prayer.
- Into your hands, gracious God, we commend all for whom we pray, trusting in your mercy; through Jesus Christ, our Savior.
- **C** Amen.

## PEACE

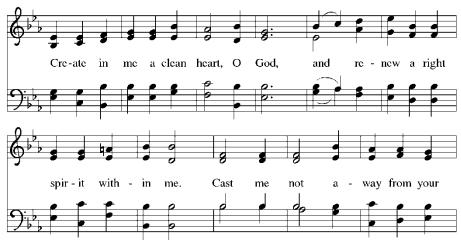
- **P** The peace of the Lord be with you always.
- **G** And also with you.

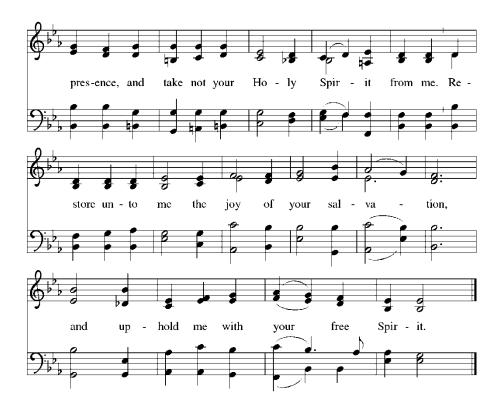
The people may greet one another with a sign of Christ's peace, and may say **Peace be with you** or similar words.

#### LITURGY OF THE SACRAMENT OF THE ALTAR

# *Sit* OFFERING

#### *Stand* OFFERTORY





## **OFFERING PRAYER**

- A Let us pray...Merciful Father,
- **G** we offer with joy and thanksgiving what you have first given us—ourselves, our time, and our possessions, signs of your gracious love. Receive them for the sake of him who offered himself for us, Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

## GREAT THANKSGIVING

The presiding minister greets the assembly and invites all present to give thanks:

- **P** The Lord be with you.
- **C** And also with you.

- **P** Lift up your hearts.
- **G** We lift them to the Lord.
- **P** Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.
- **G** It is right to give our thanks and praise.

The minister continues with the PROPER PREFACE:

■ It is indeed right, our duty and our joy... *Here the minister continues with the preface for the day, concluding:* ... we praise your name and join their unending hymn:

The assembly continues with the SANCTUS:

 Holy, holy, holy Lord, God of power and might: Heaven and earth are full of your glory. Hosanna in the highest.
 Blessed is he who comes in the name of the Lord. Hosanna in the highest.

# The minister continues with the WORDS OF INSTITUTION, usually included in a Eucharistic Prayer.

 You are indeed holy, almighty and merciful God. You are most holy, and great is the majesty of your glory.

You so loved the world that you gave your only Son, so that everyone who believes in him may not perish but have eternal life.

We give you thanks for his coming into the world to fulfill for us your holy will and to accomplish all things for our salvation.

In the night in which he was betrayed, our Lord Jesus took bread, and gave thanks; broke it, and gave it to his disciples, saying: Take and eat; this is my body, given for you. Do this for the remembrance of me. Again, after supper, he took the cup, gave thanks, and gave it for all to drink, saying: This cup is the new covenant in my blood, shed for you and for all people for the forgiveness of sin. Do this for the remembrance of me.

For as often as we eat of this bread and drink from this cup, we proclaim the Lord's death until he comes.

## **G** Christ has died. Christ is risen. Christ will come again.

Remembering, therefore, his salutary command, his life-giving passion and death, his glorious resurrection and ascension, and the promise of his coming again, we give thanks to you, O Lord God Almighty, not as we ought but as we are able; we ask you mercifully to accept our praise and thanksgiving and with your Word and Holy Spirit to bless us, your servants, and these your own gifts of bread and wine, so that we and all who share in the body and blood of Christ may be filled with heavenly blessing and grace, and, receiving the forgiveness of sin, may be formed to live as your holy people and be given our inheritance with all your saints.

To you, O God, Father, Son, and Holy Spirit, be all honor and glory in your holy church, now and forever.

**C** Amen.

# LORD'S PRAYER

▶ Lord, remember us in your kingdom, and teach us to pray.

 Our Father, who art in heaven, hallowed be thy name, thy kingdom come, thy will be done, on earth as it is in heaven.
 Give us this day our daily bread; and forgive us our trespasses, as we forgive those who trespass against us; and lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil. For thine is the kingdom, and the power, and the glory, forever and ever. Amen.

## **INVITATION TO COMMUNION**

 Behold the Lamb of God, behold him who takes away the sins of the world. Blessed are those called to the supper of the Lamb.

 Lord, I am not worthy that you should enter under my roof, but only say the word and my soul shall be healed.

## LAMB OF GOD (AGNUS DEI)

**C** Lamb of God, you take away the sin of the world; have mercy on us.

Lamb of God, you take away the sin of the world; have mercy on us.

Lamb of God, you take away the sin of the world; grant us peace.

## Sit

#### COMMUNION

When giving the bread and cup, the communion ministers sayThe body of Christ, given for you.and each person may respond

R Amen.

We Lutherans believe that the Body and Blood of Christ are present "in, with, and under" the forms of bread and wine. We invite to the communion all who are baptized and communing in this or another Christian denomination. We welcome children and others who are not communing to come forward for a blessing.



#### **BLESSING AFTER COMMUNION**

- The Body and Blood of our Lord Jesus Christ strengthen you and keep you in his grace.
- **C** Amen.

## PRAYER AFTER COMMUNION

 Let us pray.
 We give you thanks, almighty God, that you have refreshed us through the healing power of this gift of life. In your mercy, strengthen us through this gift, in faith toward you and in fervent love toward one another; for the sake of Jesus Christ our Lord.

**C** Amen.

#### SENDING

# **BLESSING (BENEDICTION)**

The Lord bless you and keep you.
 The Lord make his face shine on you and be gracious to you.
 The Lord look upon you with favor and + give you peace.

**C** Amen.

# DISMISSAL

- **A** Go in peace. Serve the Lord.
- **C** Thanks be to God.

**POSTLUDE:** A Mighty Fortress Is Our God

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**The Easter Cycle** celebrates the events surrounding our Lord's passion, death, and resurrection. Beginning with Ash Wednesday, the Easter Cycle includes the Lenten season, Holy Week, and the Easter Season. This cycle concludes with the Day of Pentecost, as the culmination of the resurrection through the coming of the Holy Spirit to Christ's followers.

**During Lent,** a Hymn of Praise is not appropriate because of the preparatory and penitential nature of this time.

**The liturgical color purple,** symbolic of our penitence and Jesus' royalty, is used in Lent.

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2020 Stewardship Campaign Update				
	Commitment Cards	Dollar Amount		
Total Possible	274	\$275,000		
Received as of 1/19/2020	78	\$131,406		
Amount Outstanding	196	\$143,594		

If you have not yet returned your Commitment Card for 2020, please return the completed card as soon as possible. A copy of the 2020 Commitment Card can be downloaded from the parish web site, <u>www.augustustrappe.org</u>, under the "About Us" tab.

Worship Assistants

Altar Servers: Lauren Fishell and Piper Bouchard

Ushers: Chilly Lyaro, Shane Elison, Dennis Ludwig, and Dick Allebach Lectors: 8:00 am: Earl Catagnus

10:30 am: Thomas Lyaro and Lyla Hunsberger

Communion Assistants: Janice Reiff and Jeannie Funk

Altar Guild: Mike Van Blaricum

Offering Tabulation: Gary Wessner, Lois Robinson, and Frank DePaul

<u>The Flowers that Adorn the Altar</u> this morning are given to the glory of God by Alice Franks and family in loving memory of William H. Moyer's Birthday Anniversary

<u>The Sanctuary Candle</u> is given to the glory of God by Jane Whitman in memory of loved ones.

<u>The Worship Bulletins</u> are given to the Glory of God by The William Kelly Family and Sandra Kelly in loving memory of Father, Grandfather, and Husband, John Kelly.

<u>New Aerobic Rhythmics classes</u> held here March 2-April 24. All ages and abilities. Free 1 week trial. 20% off for members. Visit <u>www.aerobicrhythmics.com</u> for class info and registration.

<u>Simple Gifts: two women plus ten instruments in concert</u> presented by St. John's Lutheran Church on March 15<sup>th</sup> at 4:00 pm. Enjoy a wide variety of ethnic folk music from lively Irish jigs to down-home American reels. St. John's is located at 355 St. John's Circle, Phoenixville, PA.

The Quilting Group meets March 4<sup>th</sup> and the 17<sup>th</sup> at 9:30 am.

The Knitting Group meets March 9th and 23rd at 7:00 pm.

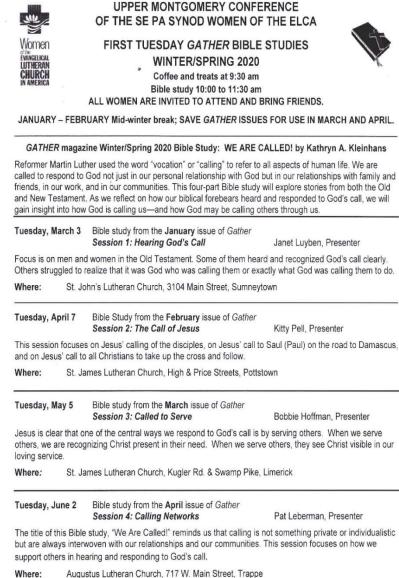
The next Book Club meeting is March 16th at 7:30 pm.



		CALENDA	R OF EVENTS
Sunday	3/1	8:00 am	Holy Communion in the Chapel
		9:00 am	Sunday School
		9:15 am	Adult Bible Study
		10:30 am	Holy Communion in the Upper Nave
Monday	3/2	7:00 pm	Scouts
		7:00 pm	Cubs
Tuesday	3/3	6:45 pm	Cubs
		7:00 pm	Vestry Meeting
Wednesday	3/4	9:30 am	Quilting Group
		6:00 pm	3-in-1 Stations of the Cross Rehearsal
		6:00 pm	Sr. Youth Group
		7:30 pm	Community Lenten Service @ St. James
Thursday	3/5	6:00 pm	Bells
		7:00 pm	Choir
		7:00 pm	Scouts
Friday	3/6	7:00 pm	Cubs Committee Meeting
Saturday	3/7	1:00 pm	CTM Choir Rehearsal
Sunday	3/8	8:00 am	Holy Communion in the Chapel
		9:00 am	Sunday School
		9:15 am	Adult Bible Study
		10:30 am	Holy Communion in the Upper Nave
		3:00 pm	Scout Court of Honor



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of the Southeastern Pennsylvania Synod of The Women of The Evangelical Lutheran Church of America

SATURDAY, MARCH 21, 2020 at Augustus Lutheran Church 717 West Main Street, Trappe, PA (610) 489-9625



REGISTRATION AND REFRESHMENTS START AT 9:00 A.M. PROGRAM BEGINS AT 9:30 A.M.

PROGRAM THEME:

Women Serving

'Truly I tell you, whatever you did for one of the least of these brothers and sisters of mine, you did for me.' - Matthew 25:40.

The Rev. Dr. Martha Kriebel, currently on staff at Augustus Lutheran Church in Trappe serving as an Honorary Assistant, will be doing a brief devotional before a National Quilting Day quilting workshop. We will be tying and pinning quilts, led by the women of Augustus Lutheran Church. No experience is needed. If you can make a square knot, you can do this. Or just come for the fellowship.

Children are welcome to attend; however, anyone under the age of 18 must be accompanied by an adult.

WHAT TO BRING:

Each church group is asked to bring a baked good, fruit, or similar refreshment item to share, as well as non-perishable food donations for the Daily Bread Community Food Pantry in Collegeville. Coffee, tea & beverages will be served by our host church.

REMINDER TO SAVE THE DATE - June 6, 2020 SOUTHEAST PA SYNOD WOMEN ON THE ELCA 2020 CONVENTION

Keynote speaker: SE PA Synod Bishop Patricia Davenport

Where: St. Matthews Lutheran Church 400 Lynbrooke Road, Springfield, Delaware Co., PA 19064

More details available soon.